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SUBJECT:CIVAIR: USG-GOP TALKS

1. ON JUNE 21, PERUVIAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON INFORMED DEPARTMENT ORALLY THAT GOP CONSIDERS IT ESSENTIAL THAT AIRLINE FREQUENCIES, CAPACITY AND TYPE OF AIRCRAFT BE SUBJECT TO A-PRIORI PREDETERMINATION BY TWO GOVERNMENTS. EMBASSY'S SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT JURIDICAL REQUIREMENTS WOULD PRECLUDE AIRLINES FROM IMPLEMENTING FREQUENCY OR CAPACITY INCREASES WITHOUT PRIOR GOVERNMENT APPROVAL. US PROPOSAL (TABLED DURING LAST ROUND OF TALKS) FOR AN EX POST FACTO REVIEW OF CAPACITY AND FREQUENCIES AFTER LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SUITABLE PERIOD OF OPERATION ACCORDINGLY WOULD NOT BE ACCEPTABLE TO GOP.

2. SECOND POINT MADE BY PERUVIAN EMBASSY WAS THAT WHILE GOP IS INTERESTED IN A MORE LIBERAL AVIATION REGIME BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, IT WOULD BE OBLIGED TO REFLECT THE ECONOMIC INTERESTS OF ITS DEVELOPING AIRLINES IN

NEGOTIATING NEW ARRANGEMENTS.

3. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO MAKE INFORMAL REPRESENTATION TO GOP ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:

A) ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF PERUVIAN EMBASSY'S COMMENTS AS REPORTED PARA 1 AND 2 ABOVE.

B) EMPHASIZE THAT USG AT THE HIGHEST LEVELS ATTACHES CONSIDERABLE IMPORTANCE IN BRINGING ABOUT A BILATERAL REGIME WHICH WOULD DISPENSE WITH UNILATERAL RESTRICTIONS ON FREQUENCIES, CAPACITY AND AIRCRAFT TYPES IN THE INTERESTS OF SHIPPERS,TRAVELING PUBLIC, AS WELL AS THE AIRLINE AND TRAVEL INDUSTRIES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES.

C) EXPRESS HOPE THAT GOP WILL CONTINUE TO GIVE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO US OUTLINE PROPOSAL TABLED DURING LAST ROUND OF TALKS AND WILL BE WILLING TO DISCUSS IT IN DETAIL DURING JUNE TALKS. VANCE

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